

PEOPLE IN BUSINESS

Holyoke Community College welcomed **Clare Lamontagne**, of Chicopee, as its new dean of health sciences.

Lamontagne, a registered nurse who holds a Ph.D. in nursing, brings 40 years of experience to HCC as a nursing educator, administrator, clinician and consultant.

For the past seven years,



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she has been a member of the full-time nursing faculty at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, having also served there as director of the undergraduate nursing pro-

gram. She began her career in 1978 as a charge nurse at the former Ludlow Hospital after earning her associate degree in nursing from Springfield Technical Community College, where she worked as a member of the nursing faculty from 1988 to 2011.

As dean of Holyoke Community's division of health sciences, Lamontagne oversees the college's programs in nursing (associate degree and licensed practical nursing certificate), radiologic

technology, foundations of health (including the community health worker program), health, fitness and nutrition, veterinary and animal science and medical assistant.

Lamontagne, who is originally from West Springfield, holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from American International College, a master's degree in nursing from the University of Connecticut, and a Ph.D. in nursing from UMass. She has also worked as a nurse at Baystate Medical Center and as a volunteer at the Pioneer Valley Free Health Clinic in East Longmeadow and has taught in the nursing programs at the University of Connecticut, Elms College and Baystate.